

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA**

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PROCUREMENT OF JUTE
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity of jute procured by purchase centers of Jute Corporation of India during each of the last three years and proposed for 2001-2002, quality-wise and State-wise; and

(b) the extent to which the jute growers in these States are getting the support price for their raw jute produced ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TEXTILES (SHRI V.DHANANJAYA KUMAR)

(a) A statement indicating the procurement of raw jute by Jute Corporation of India (JCI) during the last three years is annexed at Annexure-A. The estimated procurement during 2001-2002 will depend upon the crop size, production, arrival of raw jute and market price.

(b) During the jute year 2000-2001, out of total production of 94 lakh bales of raw jute, JCI along with the State Cooperatives purchased 4.62 lakh bales under Minimum Support Price (MSP) operations. JCI, with support from state level cooperative societies/organizations, is fully geared up for procurement operations during the current year. JCI has been directed to enter the market as and when prices tend to go below Minimum Support Price levels.

Annexure-A

(A) State-wise procurement of raw jute by JCI during the last three years

(figure in `000` bales of 180 kgs each)

State	1998-99	1999-2000	2000-2001
West Bengal	48.7	91.8	276.9
Bihar	0.5	13.5	71.4
Assam	5.3	1.3	113.3
Meghalaya			
Tripura	-	-	-
Orissa	-	0.4	0.9
Andhra Pradesh	-	-	1.1

(B) Variety/quality procured by JCI during the last three years

Year Variety/Quality Quantity/Purchased (in bales of 180 kgs.)

1998-99	white	5619
Tossa	48531	
Mesta	Negligible	

1999-2000	white	419
Tossa	103622	
Mesta	2982	

2000-2001	white	15751
Tossa	386505	
Mesta	2235	